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From: Rachel Goodman

**Sent:** Sun 2/26/2017 5:01:23 PM **Subject:** Environmental Protections

Dear Mr. Pruitt,

I have read your emails and heard your statement at CPAC concerning the abolishment of your own agency. Please keep in mind the laws that are in place that the EPA enforces are laws, and thus it is your job to enforce, not abolish them. The EPA protects our water, air, and land, and endangered species, as well as protecting us from the ravages of pollution from industrial companies dumping waste in our water, air and land. Trying to convince the public that regulations are bad is just a smokescreen for your fossil fuel friendly policies. Polluting streams with coal sludge will not make America great.

If you have any conscience about the future generations ability to live on this planet, please consider your role at this time in history. You can either go against the rest of the world as it tries to save what's left of our life support system, or you can be that bump in the road, trying to drag us back to the bad old days of dirty air, water, and land. Our planet is on life support already, with many species endangered by our reckless overuse of resources. Do you think we are not next, or somehow you, the wealthy will be exempt from any impacts on your health from the collapse of our biosphere? How much bottled water can you buy for yourself and your family, when the workers at those plants have none?

History gives us few second chances, and nature none. It can only be pushed so far before it ceases to support life for humans, or for that matter other creatures.

Do the right thing and concentrate on climate change and stop defending the fossil fuel industry, which is a dinosaur anyway. Get on the right side of history and your grandchildren will thank you.

best,

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